

HOUSE BILL No. 2549

AN ACT concerning law enforcement; relating to requests for law enforcement assistance from jurisdictions located outside the state of Kansas, but within the United States.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) The chief law enforcement executive for any law enforcement agency, or such executive's designee, may request assistance from a law enforcement agency of another jurisdiction, including a jurisdiction located outside the state of Kansas, but within the United States.

(b) If a law enforcement officer makes an arrest or apprehension outside such officer's jurisdiction, the offender shall be delivered to the first available law enforcement officer who is commissioned in the jurisdiction in which the arrest was made. The officer making the initial arrest or apprehension shall assist in the preparation of any affidavits filed with the complaint or based on other evidence that there is probable cause to believe that both a crime has been committed and the defendant has committed such crime.

(c) For the purposes of liability, all members of any political subdivision or public safety agency responding under operational control of the requesting political subdivision or public safety agency are deemed employees of such responding political subdivision or public safety agency and are subject to the liability and workers' compensation provisions provided to them as employees of their respective political subdivision or public safety agency. Qualified immunity, sovereign immunity, official immunity and the public duty rule shall apply to the provisions of this section as interpreted by the federal and state courts of the responding agency. The Kansas tort claims act, K.S.A. 75-6101 et seq., and amendments thereto, and the Kansas workers compensation act, K.S.A. 44-501 et seq., and amendments thereto, shall be interpreted consistent with the provisions of this section.

(d) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the actions of law enforcement officers or agencies conducted pursuant to K.S.A. 19-828, and amendments thereto.

(e) The provisions of article 24 of chapter 22 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, and K.S.A. 21-5220 et seq., and amendments thereto, are applicable to any law enforcement officers from jurisdictions located outside the state of Kansas, but within the United States who are acting pursuant to a request made under this section.

(f) For purposes of this section, the term "law enforcement officer" shall have the same meaning as that term is defined by K.S.A. 74-5602, and amendments thereto, or a law enforcement officer who has obtained a similar designation to one described in K.S.A. 74-5602, and amendments thereto, in a jurisdiction outside the state of Kansas, but within the United States.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the HOUSE, and passed that body

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.

Passed the SENATE _____

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.

APPROVED _____

Governor.